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Mrs. Bradley Moves to Block Rumored CIA Effort to Take Over BPR Land

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McLEAN — Fairfax County Supervisor Harriet F. Bradley I-Dranesville, has revealed she will attempt to halt any effort by the Central Intelligence Agency to take over 330 acres of federally-owned McLean area land that has recently been declared "surplus."

Mrs. Bradley said she will ask the board of supervisors at its meeting today to join her in fighting a rumored attempt by the CIA, which is based in Lang-

ley, to appropriate the surplus land located adjacent to its tract.

The "surplus" property is now part of the Bureau of Public Roads site at Langley.

A recent General Services listed the land as in excess of the BPR's needs. GSA spokesman E. P. Richardson told the SUN yesterday that "in all probability", the land will be transferred to the National Park Service for public use.

"It didn't just happen" that the land was declared surplus

Mrs. Bradley said. "The McLean residents have 'fought' this battle for the last 10 years."

She said McLean residents have "fought off" development attempts on the BPR site by the Patent Office, the Navy Department and the Harry Diamond Laboratory of the Defense Department.

The property is next to the Turkey Run recreational area and the George Washington Memorial Parkway.

Mrs. Bradley said she will introduce a resolution before the

board today stating that the CIA should not expand on to the surplus property, does not need it to protect its headquarters, and should not use it for its own recreational purposes as is now the case.

Describing the tract as "a cleared plateau suitable for recreational activities" with "woodlands and slopes to the river," Mrs. Bradley said she would ask the board further to help get the land designated for recreational and parkland use by the public.

Fairfax Fights Reported CIA Move To Occupy Potomac Palisades Site

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The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors acted yesterday to head off what one member says is an attempt by the Central Intelligence Agency to take over 330 acres of land that the county wants reserved as a park.

A resolution, passed unanimously by the Board, requested that the tract of woodland, which is adjacent to the north side of the CIA headquarters next to Turkey Run, be transferred to the Department of Interior for use as public parkland.

Dranesville Supervisor Harriet F. Bradley, who introduced the resolution, said her action was prompted by rumors among some of her neighbors, who work for the CIA, that the agency "has plans for" the property, which

stretches along the Potomac River palisades.

CIA Response

Jay Goodwin, a spokesman for the CIA, said yesterday the agency "does not want to discuss the issue while it is under negotiation." He failed to clarify whether the CIA is actually planning to use the land.

A General Services Administration spokesman, Richard Vawter, said the property has been listed as "excess" by the Department of Transportation and that GSA is now trying to find another agency that has need for more space.

"No decision has been made on who will get the land," Vawter said. "If no other agency needs it, it is likely that it would be turned into parkland."

Mrs. Bradley said some of the property is being used as a private recreation area by CIA

employees and a portion of land is used for research by the Federal Highway Administration.

"Right now, that land is nothing more than a border between the CIA and the rest of the world," Mrs. Bradley said. "I don't think land should be used for the protection of the CIA. I think it should be used as parkland for the people."

Home Loans Fund

In other action, the Board approved unanimously a \$50,000 loan fund to help low-income home owners bring substandard houses into compliance with state and county regulations.

The low-interest loans will be limited to the owner-occupants of single family homes who are unable to secure regular commercial financing for rehabilitation.

Loans provided by the fund will not be available to home owners in areas where there is no water supply or sewage system. The size of the loans will be limited to the amount needed for repairs to bring the property into compliance with government codes.

The board also asked the county staff to draft legislation that would revise the county's basis for sewer service billing.

Sewer Service Cost

Sewer service now costs Fairfax County residents 85 cents for each 1,000 gallons of water used, with a minimum quarterly bill of \$12.75 per water meter.

Mt. Vernon Supervisor Herbert E. Harris II has proposed that sewer bills be based on winter quarter water usage to eliminate a charge for water used in gardening, for example, which does not flow back through the sewer system.

The minimum charge would be based on the number of meters rather than on each meter.